

In other news

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New Immunity and HIV Vaccine exhibit at the Bradbury Science Museum

How the immune system works to fight diseases and viruses like HIV and influenza is the focus of a new exhibit that opened recently at the Bradbury Science Museum in Los Alamos. "Building Immunity: How Fighting HIV and Other Viruses Helps Us Understand Our Immune System" is an interactive exhibit featuring the work of immunologists and computational biologists at Los Alamos National Laboratory. Cutting the ribbon at the opening celebration was Laboratory Fellow and computational biologist Bette Korber, who was awarded the title of 2018 Scientist of the Year by R&D magazine for her breakthrough work in HIV vaccine research.

Credit: LANL Foundation/Andrea Neal

STEAM Education Day at the Roundhouse

The Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) Foundation hosted STEAM Day at the New Mexico Legislature Jan. 17 to showcase programs in science, technology, the arts, engineering and mathematics (STEAM). The event brought together more than 30 nonprofit organizations, schools and programs from throughout the state with hands-on learning displays and promotion of educational opportunities. In addition to providing exploratory STEAM-related activities for learners of all ages, the goals of the day included educating community members and policymakers about STEAM and promoting the relevance of STEAM careers and economic development. The day also included a press conference on education advocacy and policy. "The growth of this event shows the important role STEAM education and career development play in shaping the future of New Mexico," said Doris Rivera of the LANL Foundation, who coordinated the day.

VISTA Volunteer Opportunities

Five community-driven VISTA Volunteer projects aimed at reducing poverty in the region are currently recruiting for open volunteer positions, which come with a living allowance and health benefits. The projects are with the following organizations: Española Valley Chamber of Commerce, Las Vegas San Miguel Economic Development Corporation, Non-Metro Area Agency on Aging (Santa Fe), Northern

Area Local Workforce Development Board (Santa Fe), and the Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area (Alcade). In addition to the living allowance and health benefits, AmeriCorps VISTA Volunteers receive comprehensive training and support, federal noncompetitive hiring eligibility, and the Eli Segal Education Award or a cash stipend at the end of a year of service.

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